

Durham Environmental Affairs Board

Meeting Notes

September 28, 1999

Chairman, Joseph Jackson, called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. Members in attendance were Jim Conner, Ed Harrison, Steve Hiltner, Marion Johnson-Thompson, and Brian Morton. Jerad Bales, and David Kirkpatrick and were excused. Staff in attendance were Sue Burke, Nancy Newell, Mark Powell, Alex Waddell, and Glen Whisler.

Orange County C&D Landfill Proposal: Glen Whisler said the letter offering EAB comments to the Durham Board of County Commissioners has not been received. Also, the Orange County Commissioners have not responded to the Durham County request granting access to the proposed site for an endangered species study.

Durham County Solid Waste Ordinance: Mark Powell, the Durham County Solid Waste Coordinator, presented the Draft Durham County Ordinance for the Management Solid Waste. Issues of concern for board members were Section 13 on composting, Section 14 on graffiti, Section 16 on outside storage of tires, and Section 18 on enforcement related to penalties and remedies. Joe Jackson asked that board members send him any other comments by October 4. He will compile a list and send them to Mark Powell, Durham County Solid Waste Coordinator.

Urban Growth Boundary: Keith Luck presented changes to the Urban Growth Boundary as proposed by the adopted 2020 Comprehensive Plan. EAB members expressed concerned that this will promote urban sprawl rather than the compact neighborhoods suggested by the 2020 Comprehensive Plan. Brian Morton will draft a EAB response for City Council regarding the suggested Urban Growth Boundary changes which will be discussed at the next EAB meeting.

Travel Demand Management: Brian Morton suggests EAB focus their efforts on trip reduction measures and prepare a report for presentation to the City Council and Board of County Commissioners. Air quality will help determine which trip reduction measures are most effective. This report should be completed by November.

Next Meeting: Trip Reduction Measures and Urban Growth Boundary Resolution.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

Prepared by Alex Waddell, September 30, 1999